Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

May 2010

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.1 percent between April 2010 and May 2010 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.3 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the May All-items Index increased from April 2010 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, traveller accommodations, housing replacement cost and telephone services. Prices also rose for fresh or frozen beef, dairy products and preserved fruit and fruit preparations.

Moderating these increases were price decreases for fresh vegetables, non-alcoholic beverages, sugar and confectionery and cigarettes. Prices also fell for women's clothing, passenger vehicle insurance premiums and recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles).

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.4 percent between May 2009 and May 2010 while the Canada All-items Index also increased 1.4 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.5 percent and 1.3 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The May All-items Index increased from May 2009 primarily due to increased prices for gasoline, the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, electricity, rent and water. Prices also rose for food purchased from restaurants and cigarettes.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, property taxes (including special charges) and natural gas. Prices also fell fresh vegetables, bakery products, fresh fruit and home entertainment equipment – parts and services.

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ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

	Index		Percent Change	
	May 2010	Apr. 2010	Apr. 2010 to May 2010	May 2009 to May 2010
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	118.6	118.5	0.1	1.4
Food	121.7	122.2	-0.4	-1.1
Shelter	139.6	139.2	0.3	1.0
Household Operations and Furnishings	104.6	104.6	0.0	0.5
Clothing and Footwear	96.6	98.3	-1.7	1.9
Transportation	111.6	111.0	0.5	4.4
Health and Personal Care	113.9	113.6	0.3	2.9
Recreation, Education and Reading	104.7	104.0	0.7	0.1
Tobacco and Alcohol	140.4	141.1	-0.5	6.2
All-Items Excluding Energy	117.2	117.2	0.0	0.9
Energy	132.2	130.7	1.1	5.8
CANADA				
All-Items	116.3	116.0	0.3	1.4
Food	122.9	122.8	0.1	0.8
Shelter	123.0	122.4	0.5	1.3
Household Operations and Furnishings	108.6	108.5	0.1	0.9
Clothing and Footwear	92.7	94.1	-1.5	-1.3
Transportation	118.1	117.4	0.6	4.1
Health and Personal Care	114.6	114.8	-0.2	2.2
Recreation, Education and Reading	103.6	102.9	0.7	-0.2
Tobacco and Alcohol	132.1	131.8	0.2	0.7
All-Items Excluding Energy	114.6	114.4	0.2	1.0
Energy	137.4	136.0	1.0	6.2
REGINA				
All-Items	118.9	118.7	0.2	1.5
SASKATOON				
All-Items	119.6	119.5	0.1	1.3

Note: These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey*
Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES

	Percent Change	
	Apr. 2010 to May 2010	May 2009 to May 2010
Canada	0.3	1.4
Newfoundland	0.2	1.7
Prince Edward Island	0.1	1.4
Nova Scotia	-0.1	1.7
New Brunswick	-0.1	1.8
Quebec	0.1	1.1
Ontario	0.4	1.9
Manitoba	0.2	0.5
Saskatchewan	0.1	1.4
Alberta	0.3	1.1
British Columbia	0.4	0.6
Whitehorse	0.6	0.3
Yellowknife	0.5	1.6
Iqaluit	0.4	-1.2

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES

	Percent Change	
	Apr. 2010 to May 2010	May 2009 to May 2010
St. John's	0.3	1.7
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.1	1.3
Halifax	-0.2	1.6
Saint John	-0.1	1.8
Quebec City	0.1	1.1
Montreal	0.1	0.9
Ottawa	0.5	2.1
Toronto	0.4	2.1
Thunder Bay	0.3	1.4
Winnipeg	0.2	0.5
Regina	0.2	1.5
Saskatoon	0.1	1.3
Edmonton	0.2	1.0
Calgary	0.3	1.1
Vancouver	0.4	1.1
Victoria	0.4	0.2
Whitehorse	0.6	0.3
Yellowknife	0.5	1.6
Iqaluit	0.4	-1.2

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